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Liaison Division, C.C.D. 2430 E Street, N. W. Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Long:

This will confirm your telephone conversation with Mr. Richard E. Painter of this Division concerning certain documents prepared by the Department of Commerce which were seized early in 1945 from the now defunct Amerasia Magazine and which Senator Eastland of the Internal Security Subcommittee has requested be made available to his subcommittee. Pursuant to that conversation and at the suggestion of Mr. Thaw, of the Department of Commerce, I am enclosing a list of those documents. It is my understanding that the Department of Commerce has accepted the responsibility of rendering the final opinion as to classification or declassification of the documents set out below and that you will cooperate with the Department of Commerce in an advisory capacity.

A brief description of the documents is as follows:

- 1. The document is a Summary of Economic Information on Japan as reported by Americans returning to the United States on the S.S. Gripsholm, August 25, 1942. The report is by Victoria C. Hungerfort, assisted by C.N. Henning, Far Eastern Unit, Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, dated December 14, 1942.
- 2. The subject of this document is "Railway Transportation in Occupied China," Volume I Parts I and II, Section A of Part III. It was prepared in the Far Eastern Unit 1943, Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce. It is a "Confidential" document and bears the date "1943".

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3. This is a "Confidential" Report captioned "Preliminary Economic Survey of Korea," which was prepared for the Division of Economic Studies, Department of State by Charles M. Henning, Far Eastern Unit, Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, August 2, 1943.

Your cooperation and assistance are appreciated.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM F. TOMPKINS Assistant Attorney General Internal Security Division

Bv:

THOMAS K. HALL, Chief Subversive Activities Section